

1. **Call to Order**- Chair Cathy Carleton called the meeting to order at 6:35pm
2. **Roll Call**- members present; Justin Adams, Cathy Carleton , John Homer, Anna Nold and Rebecca Pearson
3. **Approval of Agenda**-Agenda was approved with the revision adding approving minutes from Oct. 7 and Oct. 14, 2013 public hearings. John made a motion to approve, Justin seconded and the motion carried.
4. **Approval of minutes**- Motion made by Justin to approve the minutes for Sept. 9, 2013, John seconded, motion carried. Oct. 7 minutes were approved with the amendment of changing 4-b to read "apply to existing development" instead of saying, "future development". John made the motion to approve and Justin seconded, motion carries. Oct. 14, 2013 public hearing minutes were approved. Justin made the motion, Anna seconded and motion carried.
5. **Comments/questions from the public**-
  - a. **"Are paper copies of the proposed zoning available?"** \*Yes, there is a printed copy available in the office of the City Clerk. The zoning is also available online.
  - b. **"Do we have any new options for commercial zoning?"**\*Yes, are looking at cottage industry zoning ideas during #7 of our agenda.
  - c. **" A family that has property on the south side wonders why their property is zoned as residential when the current use is agriculture?"** \*Our zoning is looking to future development and how we envision Pleasant Hope growing and changing.
  - d. **"Does a zoning change create a new property tax assessment?"** \* Our commission plans to seek an answer to this question.
  - e. **" Does the zoning allow for mixed use areas?"** \* Yes, mixed use is encouraged in the written code and we did not designate only certain areas because we would like to see mixed use many areas encouraging entrepreneur business ideas.
  - f. **" Shouldn't the planning and zoning commission contact every property owner about proposed zoning?"** \*We post our meeting dates and times on bulletin boards in Pleasant Hope, on our city website and in the Bolivar paper. We have no operating budget and cannot sent notification by mail.
  - g. **"Why does the proposed zoning not designate any historic areas?"**\* Our city has no official historic buildings or markers and we do not see a need to make this a zone.
6. **Cottage industry Category**- Cathy had information about this category that would help our zoning be flexible and encourage small business in our city. This would be a floating zone designation that could be obtained when approved for a business license in the City of Pleasant Hope. Cathy will inquire how to incorporate this into our ordinance
7. John Hillenburg had said he might consider being on the board of adjustments if contacted when the position is necessary.
8. **Meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.**-Justin made a motion to adjourn, Rebecca second and motion carried.

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Chair-Cathy Carleton

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Secretary-Anna Nold